

**U.S. Senate**  
**Desk Description and Condition Report**

Desk No : **038**

Paper Label No.(on shelf bottom): 39

Painted No. (on bottom): N/A

Other identifying labels or marks (specify location): Two brass plaques on stretcher reading "39" and "38"

**Description of Desk**

Dimensions (in inches)

	Overall	Orig. Desk*	Case	Shelf
Height	35 1/4	32 3/16		
Width (front)	28 7/8	26 7/16	25 5/8	
Width (rear)	26	24 5/8	23 15/16	
Depth	19 7/8	19 3/4	19 3/16	9 3/8

\* Note: not including "booster" blocks added to feet or writing top

**Woods**

Primary: Mahogany ☒  
Mahogany veneer ☒  
Rosewood veneer ☒  
Other Wood (specify): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Character of case mahogany: Plain ☐  
Ribbon ☒  
Mottled ☐  
Crotch ☐  
Other ☐

Secondary:

Element	Pine	Ash	Poplar	Mahog	Other
Drawer Sides				✓	
Drawer Bottom			✓		
Drawer Back			✓		
Case Interior	✓	✓			

## Construction Details

Leg:

Wood Type	rosewood crossband	other crossband	no crossband
mahog. veneer	✓		
solid mahogany			
other: _____			

Foot construction: 1-part ☐  
 2-part ☒  
 5-part ☐  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Double bead on edge of leg:  
 Thickness: 1 3/16"

Shape of cross-stretcher edges:  
 Rounded ☐  
 Rectangular ☒

Spindle type:	Thick	Thin	Other
Number		9	1

Joinery of lower drawer blade to case sides:  
 single dovetail ☐  
 2 dovetails ☒  
 3 dovetails ☐  
 lap joint ☐  
 other: \_\_\_\_\_

Cockbead width on bottom of drawer front:  
 Narrow ☐  
 Full width ☒

Opening in original top for inkwell: Yes ☒  
 No ☐

Roundels: Single piece ("yo-yo" form) ☒  
 Applied boss ☐

Inset distance of single bead on desk back panel:  
 Side: 1 1/4"  
 Top: 7/8"  
 Bottom: 7/8"

No. of Glue Blocks	Case	Stretch'r	Shelf
Original/Old			
New/Recent			
Missing			

Case built-out for drawer: Yes ☐  
 No ☒

## Condition of Desk

### Structure

Previous breaks in structural elements: Yes ☒  
(show on schematic)

No ☐

Current split or broken elements: Yes ☒  
(show on schematic)

No ☐

Other loose or damaged joinery: Yes ☒  
(describe in narrative)

No ☐

Damage to drawer fronts: Extreme ☐  
Moderate ☒  
Minor ☐

Drawer lock: relocated on face Yes ☒

Drawer lock: resized on inside Yes ☒

Cockbead on drawer front: Damaged ☒  
(show on schematic)

Missing ☒

Loose ☒

Replacements ☒

Replaced drawer-side runners: Yes ☒

No ☐

Replaced case-side runners: Yes ☒

No ☐

Drawer bottom pieced-out at back edge: Yes ☒

No ☐

Wear on Feet	Extreme	Moderate	Minor
Front	✓		
Rear			✓

Number of loose spindles: No: 0

Number of replaced spindles: (show on schematic) No: 1

Replaced veneers and cross-banding: Yes ☒  
(show on schematic)

No ☐

Missing veneers and cross-banding: Yes ☒  
(show on schematic)

No ☐

Delaminated/loose veneers & cross-banding: Yes ☒  
(show on schematic)

No ☐

Shelf supports: Original/old ☐

New/recent ☒

Missing ☐

Shelf molding applied: Yes ☐

No ☒

Dowel support board in case: Yes ☐

No ☒

## Finish

Age	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
New		✓		
Old				
Unk.				

Note: Describe finish problems in narrative.

## Hardware/Attachments

Item	Mismatch	Missing	Damaged
Knob (L)	✓		✓
Knob (R)			

Toe cap size:	Right toe: 2
	Left toe: 2